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Dear Sir / Madam,

**Hinkley Point C New ref EN010001**

Thank you for your recent correspondence on the above project.

Correspondence received by the IPC during the pre-application stage will be retained on file and made available to the panel of Commissioners that constitute the Examining Authority at the time the application is submitted.

Please note that since the IPC will be the body examining any future application, we cannot comment on the merits of the proposal or any associated programme of works. This ensures the impartiality of the IPC and protects the interests of all parties involved in the process.

You may wish to contact your local authority with your views about the scheme and the effectiveness of the developer's consultation. The host local authority and the surrounding local authorities will have the chance to submit a statement about the adequacy of the developer's pre-application consultation and prepare a Local Impact Report later in the application process.

If the IPC accepts the application for examination, there will be the opportunity to register your views with the IPC and participate in the examination by completing a relevant representation form. Details about how and when to register will be publicised by the developer in local newspapers and via on site notices. The IPC will also offer details about how to register and other project information on our website.

Further information about how to participate in the application process can found in our advice notes. A link to the relevant section of our website is provided below. Please note that at the pre-application stage '*Advice Note 8.1: How the Process Works*' and '*Advice Note 8.2: How to have your Say on a Major Infrastructure Proposal*' may be of particular interest.

<http://infrastructure.independent.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/our-guidance-and-advice/he-process-works>

If you any further questions, our enquiries line is available to help on 0303 444 5000 or you can send queries to [ipcenquiries@infrastructure.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:ipcenquiries@infrastructure.gsi.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely,

Jack Wride  
Assistant Case Officer

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